

Amendments to the Drawings:

Formal drawings are submitted herewith under Separate Letter to the Draftsperson. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the formal drawings are also attached with this amendment.

Attachment: Replacement Figures 1-7

REMARKS

The Office Action dated January 30, 2006 has been received and reviewed by the applicant. Claims 1-8 and 16-22 are in the application. Claims 1-8 and 16-22 stand rejected.

Claim 5 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In response, claim 5 is canceled.

Claims 1, 5, 6, 16 and 20, as understood, stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Owaku et al. (JP 02-246586).

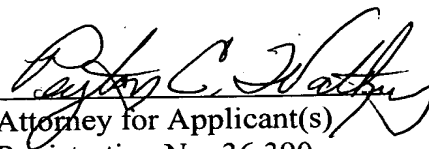
Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 16 and 18-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tsuji (U.S. Patent Application Publication 2001/0004288).

In response, claims 1 and 16 are amended to include "an absorptive material that absorbs wavelengths at a transition between a desired bandpass and rejection band, and image forming light passes through the absorptive material once and reflected light passes through the absorptive material three times." In contrast, Japanese 02-246586 is a metal covering which absorbs at all wavelengths so that image forming light does not pass. This is obviously not the absorptive material in claims 1 and 16 because it passes image forming light. Still further, Finley et al. reflects wrong color photons which includes image forming light. The claimed invention, in contrast, passes image forming light once.

Should the Examiner consider that additional amendments are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the favor is requested of a telephone call to the undersigned counsel for the purpose of discussing such amendments.

For the reasons set forth above, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,


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